



ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 3, 2016

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Harvesting continued on almost three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Cotton squaring is at 75 percent, above last year's at 72 percent but below the 5-year average at 76 percent. Cotton setting bolls are at 30 percent, ahead of last year at 24 percent and the 5-year average at 26 percent. Cotton condition was rated mostly good to excellent last week. Central Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed melons, potatoes, and watermelons last week. Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, mixed melons, and watermelons last week. Rangeland conditions varied widely, depending on location but were rated mostly fair to good. Monsoon season has arrived around the State, but some areas have not received any beneficial rain. Six out of the 50 weather stations reported no precipitation. Phoenix recorded the least at 0.01 inches while Tucson reported the most at 2.21 inches. Tucson, Bonita, and Kartchner year to date precipitation is at 137, 132, and 130 percent of normal, respectively. The driest, at 43 percent of normal, is Parker 2 and Sahuarita. The highest temperature during the week was 118 degrees reported at Bullhead City. The lowest temperature during the week was 48 degrees at Springerville.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Mature	85	75	82	NA
Harvested	75	60	76	78
Cotton				
Squaring	75	65	72	76
Setting Bolls	30	20	24	26
Durum wheat				
Harvested	75	60	72	66
Winter wheat				
Mature	70	60	67	NA
Harvested	55	45	52	26

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2	4	6	NA
Short	29	29	15	NA
Adequate	65	63	73	NA
Surplus	4	4	6	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	15	16	5	NA
Short	14	13	13	NA
Adequate	69	69	79	NA
Surplus	2	2	3	NA

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	4	4	5	2
Poor.....	1	1	1	2
Fair	11	11	9	19
Good.....	50	50	41	42
Excellent	34	34	44	35
Cotton				
Very poor	4	4	3	1
Poor.....	--	--	--	1
Fair	3	3	20	15
Good.....	55	55	56	52
Excellent	38	38	21	31
Pasture and range				
Very poor	14	14	8	35
Poor.....	13	13	11	25
Fair	41	42	48	26
Good.....	29	29	33	13
Excellent	3	2	--	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor	10	10	10	NA
Poor.....	--	--	5	NA
Fair	15	14	12	NA
Good.....	39	39	26	NA
Excellent	36	37	47	NA

NA – not available

(--)- zero

Arizona's weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2016/AZ_Weather_07032016.pdf